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- On page 42, after line 34 of the striking amendment, insert the following:
- 3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 27. (1) The legislature finds that it is of
- 4 critical importance to promote the creation of jobs located in the
- 5 rural communities where many Washington residents prefer to live.

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- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 28.** A new section is added to chapter 15.04
- 8 RCW to read as follows:
- 9 (1) By January 15, 2020, the department shall establish a pilot
- 10 program to create an omnibus permitting process for businesses that
- 11 process or engage in clean alternative fuels.
- 12 (2) The pilot project must consolidate the application process
- 13 for environmental and land use commonly required of clean
- 14 alternative fuels that are issued by state and local governments for
- 15 facility siting, operations, or both. The department must consider
- 16 including, at a minimum, the following as part of the omnibus permit
- 17 application process:
- (a) Water discharge permits issued under chapter 90.48 RCW;
- 19 (b) Air emissions permits issued under chapter 70.94 RCW;
- 20 (c) Solid waste permits issued under chapter 70.95 RCW;
- 21 (f) Substantial development permits issued under chapter 90.58
- 22 RCW and hydraulic project approvals issued under chapter 77.55 RCW;
- 23 and
- 24 (g) Building permits issued by a local government.
- 25 (3) In administering the omnibus permit application, the
- 26 department must:

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- 1 (a) Coordinate with the office of regulatory assistance and the
- 2 state agencies and local governments responsible for issuing each
- 3 permit included in the omnibus permit, including the department of
- 4 ecology and the relevant county;
- 5 (b) Seek to provide a streamlined and customer-oriented permit
- 6 service, including by providing information or technical assistance
- 7 to permit applicants where appropriate; and
- 8 (c) Model the omnibus permit program implementation on the
- 9 coordinated permit process open to projects of statewide
- 10 significance under chapter 43.42 RCW.
- 11 (4) The department may initially limit the scope and scale of
- 12 the pilot omnibus permitting program, but must seek to eventually
- 13 incorporate as many products and areas within the program as is
- 14 feasible. By July 15, 2019, the department must initiate the pilot
- 15 omnibus permitting program by selecting at least one county and
- 16 category of clean alternative fuels for which the omnibus permitting
- 17 process will be available.
- 18 (5) The department may not charge an additional fee for the use
- 19 of the omnibus permitting process that it develops under this
- 20 section. This subsection does not limit the obligation of a person
- 21 using the omnibus permitting process to obtain individual permits
- 22 incorporated within the omnibus permitting process.
- 23 (6) By July 15, 2023, the department must submit a report to the
- 24 legislature regarding the implementation of the pilot program. The
- 25 report must include recommendations for reducing the regulatory
- 26 burdens on forest product and food producers."

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28 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Requires that by January 15, 2020, the Department of Agriculture (Department) must establish a pilot program to create an omnibus permitting process for businesses that process or engage in clean alternative fuels. Requires the Department to submit a report to the Legislature regarding the implementation of the pilot program by July 15, 2023.

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